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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTIES ON ARGENTINE FOOTWEAR

REF: (A) STATE 239667; (B) BUENOS AIRES 7744; (C) STATE 235949

1. DUE TO CHANGE OF ECONOMIC TEAM, THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE PROGRESS BY GOA ON MATTERS RELATING TO COUNTERVAILING DUTY IN PAST TWO WEEKS. FORTUNATELY IT APPEARS THAT VARTALITIS WILL STAY IN PRESENT JOB, SO THERE IS SOME CONTINUITY.

2. DECREE REPORTED REF. B) (TOGETHER WITH OTHERS IN SIMILAR PROCEDURAL STAGE) DESPITE HAVING BEEN SIGNED BY PRESIDENT, WAS RETURNED BY HER TO NEW MINISTER OF ECONOMY FOR HIS CONSIDERATION. VARTALITIS EXPECTS DECREE TO BE FORMALLY PROMULGATED WITHIN A FEW DAYS.

3. APPARENTLY, STUDIES ON HOW CIFEN WILL HANDLE EXPORT SALES OF FOOTWEAR ARE STILL IN PRELIMINARY STAGE, AND THERE IS NOTHING THEY CAN TELL US YET.

4. WE HAVE REPEATEDLY TRIED TO IMPRESS UPON GOA OFFICIALS ESPECIALLY VARTALITIS, THE URGENCY OF THE SITUATION. THEIR REPLY IS THAT THEY ARE DOING THEIR BEST TO ARRIVE AT MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION. THEY HOPE USG WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT NO GOVERNMENT CAN CONTINUE TO FUNCTION THROUGH CHANGE OF ECONOMIC TEAM AS THOUGH NOTHING HAD

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HAPPENED. WE THINK WE HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT GOOD

INTENTIONS ARE NOT ENOUGH. HOWEVER WE ARE CONCERNED
AT SEEING IN REF. C) THAT AMBASSADOR ORFILA SEEMS TO
CONSIDER THE PROBLEM SOLVED. WE RECOMMEND THAT HE BE
KEPT AWARE OF WASHINGTON VIEW OF SITUATION.

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